

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Ola OLOFSSON

Prior Art Unit: 3679

Serial No.: New Divisional Application

Prior Examiner: R. Flandro

Based on U.S. Serial No. 09/661,627

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For: GUIDING MEANS AT A JOINT

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

The Honorable Commissioner  
of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.